#### 107TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3284

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a complete transition period for the reduction of Medicare beneficiary copayment for hospital outpatient department services furnished under the Medicare Program.

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 13, 2001

Mr. Stark introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Medicare Outpatient
- 5 Copayment Reduction Act of 2001".

### SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF BUY-DOWN OF COPAYMENT ON HOS-2 PITAL OUTPATIENT SERVICES. 3 Section 1833(t)(8)(C)(ii) of the Social Security Act 4 (42 U.S.C. 1395l(t)(8)(C)(ii)), as amended by section 111(a) of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits 5 Improvement and Protection Act of 2000, as enacted into law by section 1(a)(6) of Public Law 106–554, is amended by striking subclause (V) and inserting the following: 9 "(V) For procedures performed 10 in 2006, 40 percent. "(VI) For procedures performed 11 12 in 2007, 35 percent. "(VII) For procedures performed 13 14 in 2008, 30 percent. "(VIII) For procedures 15 performed in 2009, 25 percent. 16 17 "(IX) For procedures performed 18 in 2010 and thereafter, 20 percent.".

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